GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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EXPANSION OF BRAHMOS COMPLEX
Kodikunnil Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to expand/upgrade the Thiruvananthapuram complex of Brahmos Aerospace;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up other defence projects in Kerala; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): The Government has already approved expansion of BrahMos Aerospace Thiruvananthapuram Limited (BATL) to establish an integration complex for the BrahMos missile on the land owned by Indian Air Force (IAF). The necessary funding has also been provided. The construction activity will start once the land is made available by the IAF after they get suitable land for construction of housing for Airmen.

(c) & (d) : An autonomous body `National Institute for Research & Development in Defence Shipbuilding (NIRDESH)`, under Registration of Society Act 1860 has been registered recently with its headquarters at Beypore, Kozikode, Kerala.